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BERLIN - Pressure

Soviet and East German pressure on Western position continues to increase

Crossing points between Soviet Zone, West Germany: 4 of 10 roads open 7 of 8 passenger rail lines open main canal route closed

West Berlin being sealed off from East Berlin, East
Germany by:
physical barriers
closing West Berlin-East zone crossing points
separation city transport facilities; street-car
system now in two units, elevated may soon be split.

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West Berliners visit in East Berlin, not in Eastern zone
The approximately 43,000 West Berliners employed East

East Berliners discouraged visiting West Berlin.

Berlin will soon be discharged.

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Possibly before, more probably at time of West German ratification of Bonn and Paris treaties, West Berlin will be sealed off from East Berlin, Soviet Zone left with limited rail and road access to West Germany.

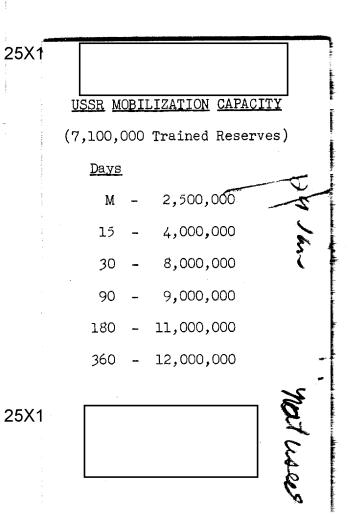
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EST BERLIN - Situation

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Trade West Berlin - West Germany has increased, morale

Production levels low, 25% unemployed, percentage growing with influx refugees.

Refugees - new monthly high December, 16,000, still rising.

BERLIN - WESTERN POSITION

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Retaliation measures limited; rail and canal by-passes completed.

Electric power and public transport except elevated could be operated independently for West Berlin.

Water and sewage system disruption by East Germans would risk serious problems East Berlin.

West Berlin now has stockpiled nearly year's supply of solid and liquid fuels, six months of food and medical supplies -